APPENDIX I.

[Vide answer to Starred Question No. 32 asked by Sri A. Vedarathnam at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 27th April 1959, page 397 supra.]

(1) This Conference conveys its hearty thanks to the Government of Madras for the grants they are giving to the Dakshina Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha, Madras, to carry out certain items of Hindi Prachar according to the Second Five-Year Plan and requests the Government to extend the scope of this work by sanctioning further grants.

(2) This Conference requests the Managements of Schools to appoint at least one First Grade Hindi Pandit per school in their respective schools.

(3) This Conference conveys its thanks to the Madras Government for introducing Hindi as Second Language countable for examination purposes from the VIII to the XI standards of recognized course of Secondary Education. At the same it requests the Government to make some provision for the teaching of Hindi in Standards V, VI and VII since students in these classes are in the most impressionable age for learning languages.

(4) This Conference feels that the syllabus prescribed for Hindi in the reorganized course of Secondary Education is rather heavy taking into consideration the number of periods allotted for its steady and therefore requests the Government to slightly ligten the syllabus as suggested below :—

(*a*) In Standard VIII the words taught shall be 300 instead of 400. The lines of verse shall be 50 out of which 25 lines shall be committed to memory.

(*b*) In Standard IX the new words introduced shall be 400 instead of 500, the book shall be of 80 pages instead of 100; the lines of poetry shall be 150 instead of 250 out of which 50 lines should be committed to memory.

(*c*) In Standard X the book shall be of 100 pages instead of 120, lines of verse shall be 200 instead of 300 of which 75 lines shall be committed to memory. Ancient poetry need not be insisted.

(*d*) In Standard XI instead of two books for prose and poetry separately, a combined book of selections in prose and poetry may be prescribed, in which there shall be 150 lines of modern poetry and 50 lines of ancient poetry out of which 80 lines of modern and 20 lines of ancient poetry shall be committed to memory.

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Instead of a book of short stories running to 100 pages as non-detailed, a story book of five or six stories or biographies covering not more than 50 pages may be prescribed.

(*e*) In the examination also there shall be (i) paragraph questions, (ii) memory portion in verse for quoting, (iii) one page question with more choice as one out of five, (iv) letter writing and (v) translation from Hindi to the regional language and vice-versa from seen portions.

(5) This Conference requests the Department of Public Instruction to supply the Hindi Vocabulary to be used in the readers according to the syllabus for each standard (as they have done for English), since fixing the total number of words to be learnt alone is not enough.

(6) This Conference requests the Government to organize seminars of Hindi Teachers for improving the methods of Hindi teaching, as is being done for the teaching of English.

(7) This Conference requests the Government of Madras to issue orders permitting Hindi teachers in schools to conduct Hindi classes for the public in their spare time and give grants in aid for such work as is being given to teachers doing adult education work or N.C.C. or A.C.C. work.

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